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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshitaka HAYASHI et al.

Appln. No.: 09/985,669

Group Art Unit: 3681

Filed: November 5, 2001

Examiner: D. Abdelnour

For: STARTING CLUTCH AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE SAME

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2003,  
and to the requirement for election of species therein,  
Applicants hereby elect the species of Fig. 1 for  
prosecution on the merits. The undersigned is informed  
that Claims 1-18, 20-26, 28, 41-47, 65-71 and 73-74 are  
readable on the elected species. Applicants reserve the  
right to file one or more divisional applications for the  
non-elected species.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to  
Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16  
and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit

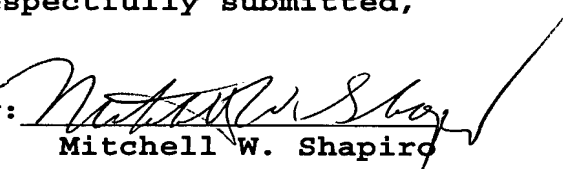
any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 7, 2003